



## **Factors Influencing System Demand**

The next chapter looks at some factors influencing system demand such as driver licenses, vehicle registrations, and labor force. The chapter also attempts to show a correlation or relationship between these factors and Annual Average Vehicle Miles of Travel.

There are also many unique factors that influence Maryland's highway system demands other than those reported in this chapter. One such factor is geographical location. Maryland is a major exit/entry for three major regions of the country, the South, Midwest, and Northeast. In addition, Maryland sits along the southern end of the Boston-Washington, D.C. corridor that has a population of over 40 million people. And finally, Maryland contains not one, but two major metropolitan areas; Baltimore and Washington, D.C.